

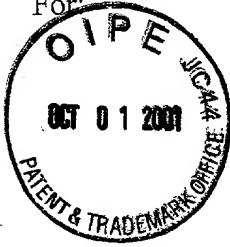
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE XN

Applicants: David A. Brown

Application No.: 09/886,659 Group: 2185

Filed: June 21, 2001 Examiner:

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR LOGICALLY
EXPANDING THE LENGTH OF A SEARCH KEY



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REPLY TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

Box Missing Parts
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated August 13, 2001, the following documents and fees are being submitted for filing in the captioned application. A copy of the Notice is attached.

[X] EXECUTED DECLARATION/POWER OF ATTORNEY

(Separate transmittal letter and postcard not required)

[X] FILING FEE - with Fee Transmittal for Patent Applications in duplicate.

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[X] SURCHARGE - surcharge fee of \$ 130.

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[] SEQUENCE LISTING - Filed concurrently and is attached.

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TRANSMITTAL OF SUBSTITUTE DRAWINGS

[8] Sheets of substitute drawings consisting of Figs. 1A-B, 2, 3A1-2, 3B, 4, 5, and 6 are enclosed.

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 PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

[] Applicant hereby petitions to extend the time to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated [] for [] month(s) from [] to [].

The appropriate fee of \$[] is included in the enclosed check.

[] A [] month extension of time to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated [] was filed on [] with payment of a \$[] fee.

[] Applicant hereby petitions for an additional [] month extension of time to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts. The appropriate fee of \$[] is included in the enclosed check.

(Separate Petition for Extension of Time and postcard not required)

 REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT - Filed concurrently and is attached.

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 STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS

[] Was filed on [].

[] Is enclosed herewith.

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[] In view of the small entity status of the captioned application, we hereby request a reimbursement of 50% of the filing fees in the amount of \$[] which were paid on [] to be deposited in Deposit Account No. 08-0380.

The fees required for filing the indicated documents are enclosed in the form of a check in the total amount of \$ 1054. Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the fees that may be due in this matter to Deposit Account No. 08-0380. A copy of this letter is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$214.
 - \$54 for 3 total claims over 20.
 - \$160 for 2 independent claims over 3 .
- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1054.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:

- drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

Thank you

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